

# *Proclamation*

In 1896, the Lahāina Methodist Mission began its journey by offering church services to the Maui community in Japanese.

With the ever changing landscape of the island and the wide variety of sugarcane and pineapple field workers, the church continued to grow and adapt to the needs of Maui residents.

Today, Lahāina United Methodist Church holds services in English and Tongan. Church members represent the rainbow of colors and cultures on Maui, including Japanese, Filipino, Caucasian, Tongan, Chinese, Samoan and Hawaiian.

Moreover, Lahāina United Methodist Church welcomes all Maui visitors into their island `ohana, as they work to be a beacon to the world and an extended family that nurtures and welcomes all people.

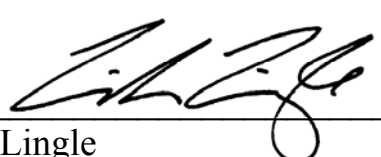
In honor of their 110 years of serving the spiritual needs of the people on Maui, church member, leaders and friends will gather throughout the weekend of November 17 – 19 to celebrate the milestone occasion. The theme of this year's events, *Open Hearts, Open Minds, Open Doors – Through the Next Century*, characterizes the best qualities of the Lahāina United Methodist Church.

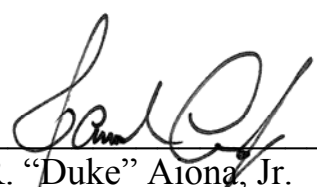
**THEREFORE, I, LINDA LINGLE**, Governor of the State of Hawai`i, and **I, JAMES R. "DUKE" AIONA, JR.**, Lieutenant Governor, do hereby proclaim **November 17 through 19, 2006**, as

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in Hawai`i, and express our sincere gratitude to the Lahāina United Methodist Church for their 110 years of service to the Maui community.

**DONE** at the State Capitol, in the Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai`i, this ninth day of November 2006.

  
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Linda Lingle  
Governor, State of Hawai`i

  
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James R. "Duke" Aiona, Jr.  
Lieutenant Governor, State of Hawai`i